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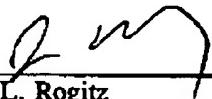
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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
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Dear Sir:

Applicant agrees that the claims are patentable, but cautions readers of the file history that the examiner's reasons for allowance are couched in the language of only one of three independent claims and thus mention limitations that are not found in all independent claims. For instance, the particular panels of the gateway screen mentioned in the statement appear in Claim 2 but only partially in Claim 9 and not at all in Claim 16. Each independent claim must be presumed to stand on its own independently of limitations in other claims. That is, the claim language controls scope, not an examiner's statement that uses the language of only one claim.


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